

President's Report

Comox Valley Volleyball Club

2025 Season

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1. Introduction

Dear Members, Supporters, and Partners:

It is my pleasure to present the President's Report for the CVVC Strikers for 2025. This past year has been one of remarkable growth and continued progress, and I am incredibly proud of what we have accomplished together as a club and community.

Guided by our mission—to provide a high-quality athletic experience that emphasizes skill development, healthy competition, and sportsmanship for youth in the Comox Valley—we have remained focused on creating meaningful opportunities for every athlete. Every initiative, program, and decision this year has reflected our commitment to fostering both excellence and enjoyment in the sport of volleyball.

2. Organizational Highlights

- Programs for 2025:
 - Boys Teams 15u and Wave HP
 - Girls Teams 13u, 14u, 15u, 16u, 17/18u, and Wave HP
 - Train and Play
 - Jr. Strikers
 - 2 Summer clinics which were new offerings and very successful
- Our teams participated in both on-island and off-island tournaments, including the Boys' Wave team, which competed in a tournament in Washington State.
- Three of our teams hosted local Play Days, the club hosted one Super Series and a Regionals Tournament.
- 5 of our teams medaled at Provincials and/or Nationals.
 - Boys 15u White placed 1st in their division at Provincials and 2nd at nationals.
 - Girls 15u Blue placed 1st in their division at Provincials.
 - Girls 16u White placed 1st in their division at Nationals
 - Girls 17u White placed 1st in their division at Provincials and Nationals
 - Wave Girls 18u Place 2nd at in their division at Nationals

- Investing in new equipment remains a top priority to maintain a safe training environment and foster the technical growth and confidence of our players.
 - Once again this year, the club awarded two \$500.00 bursaries to graduating athletes who have been long-time members and generously volunteered their time in various areas of the club. The bursary recipients were:
 - Keona Savage, who has gone on to play volleyball at SFU
 - Torr Robertson, who has started at UVIC
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3. Governance & Leadership

Our Board of Directors continues to provide strong leadership, guidance, and oversight, ensuring the club remains focused on its mission and long-term development. This year, we were pleased to welcome Gregory Pomeroy as our new Club Manager, bringing fresh energy and expertise to our operations and member experience. In addition, the Board has identified the need to build a strong foundational structure, and has been diligently working on creating comprehensive Board Manuals and updating the Coaches' Manual—initiatives that reflect our commitment to transparency, consistency, and the ongoing positive growth of the club.

4. Challenges and Opportunities

Like many organizations, we encountered challenges this year, particularly in securing adequate gym space and recruiting qualified coaches. Despite these hurdles, we remain proactive and focused on growth, continually seeking new opportunities to strengthen the club. Our current priorities include:

- Identifying and securing a dedicated CVVC Strikers facility equipped with multiple courts and a comfortable viewing area for families and supporters.
 - Exploring innovative strategies to attract and retain coaches, including outreach initiatives, community partnerships, and development opportunities.
 - Pursuing grants and funding from a variety of sources to support club operations, enhance programming, and invest in long-term sustainability.
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5. Looking Ahead

The upcoming year will bring exciting changes as we continue to refine our programs and strengthen player development pathways across all age groups. One of the key initiatives is a **revised team structure** that better supports both competitive and developmental athletes.

- The “White” teams will represent our competitive stream, focusing on higher-level play and greater commitment. These teams will participate in all Super Series, Regionals, and Provincials events.
- The “Blue” teams will form our development stream, designed to build skills, confidence, and teamwork. These teams will take part in at least one Super Series, along with Regionals and Provincials.

- The Wave HP (High Performance) team will compete at the highest level, attending all Super Series, Regionals, Provincials, and Nationals.

In addition, we are excited to introduce a new 12U stream, allowing younger athletes to begin developing their skills within a structured, supportive environment.

While we experienced a decline in participation in our boys' programs last year, we are committed to reversing this trend. Focused recruitment efforts, enhanced coaching support, and community outreach will be key priorities to ensure the continued growth and success of our boys' teams in the coming years.

We remain focused on our vision to grow the sport of volleyball in the Comox Valley by engaging residents of all ages as players, mentors, referees, volunteers, and fans. We will continue working hard to make it a reality.

6. Gratitude

I extend my deepest thanks to:

- Our dedicated volunteers
- Our Team Sponsors
- The Board of Directors
- And most of all, the communities we serve for their trust and inspiration

With Gratitude,

Tony Jarvis
President, Comox Valley Volleyball Club